## **CLAIMS**

## WHAT IS CLAIMED:

- 1. A user interface for an electronic device, comprising:
- a sensor capable of sensing a physical movement of a user associated with an oral communication and generating an indication thereof; and
  - an interface through which the sensor can provide the indication to the electronic device.
  - 2. The user interface of claim 1, further comprising means for positioning the sensor to sense the physical movement.
- 10 3. The user interface of claim 1, further comprising a microphone capable of receiving the oral communication from the user.
  - 4. The user interface of claim 1, wherein the sensor comprises an electromyographic sensor.
  - 5. The user interface of claim 1, wherein the user interface includes a connector.
  - 6. The user interface of claim 1, further comprising a transmitter for transmitting over a wireless communications link.
    - 7. A headset for use with an electronic device, comprising:
      - a base;

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- a microphone associated with the base;
- a sensor associated with the base and capable of sensing a physical movement associated with an oral communication and generating an indication thereof;

means by which the base can be positioned to locate the sensor to sense the physical movement; and

an interface through which the sensor can communicate the indication to an electronic device.

- 5 8. The headset of claim 7, wherein the base and the ear piece comprise a means for positioning the sensor.
  - 9. The headset of claim 7, wherein the sensor comprises an electromyographic sensor.
  - 10. The headset of claim 7, wherein the user interface includes a connector.
- 11. The headset of claim 7, wherein the user interface includes a wireless communications link.
  - 12. The headset of claim 7, further comprising a speaker associated with the base.
  - 13. The headset of claim 7, wherein the base-positioning means comprises an ear piece or a headband.
  - 14. An apparatus, comprising:
- an electronic device; and

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- a user interface, including:
  - a sensor capable of sensing a physical movement of a user associated with an oral communication and generating an indication thereof; and
  - an interface through which the sensor can communicate the indication to the electronic device.

- 15. The apparatus of claim 14, further comprising means for positioning the sensor to sense the physical movement.
- 16. The apparatus of claim 14, further comprising a microphone capable of receiving the oral communication from the user.
- 5 17. The apparatus of claim 14, wherein the sensor comprises an electromyographic sensor.
  - 18. The apparatus of claim 14, wherein the user interface includes a connector.
  - 19. The apparatus of claim 14, wherein the user interface includes a wireless communications link.
- 20. The apparatus of claim 14, wherein the electronic device comprises a computing apparatus or a mobile phone.
  - 21. A method for interfacing with an electronic device, comprising: sensing a physical movement of a user; and indicating to an electronic device an initiation of an oral communication responsive to the sensing of the physical movement.
- The method of claim 21, further comprising:

  receiving the oral communication;

  invoking a voice-based capability; and

  processing the received oral communication response to sensing the initiation thereof.
- 23. The method of claim 21, further comprising initiating an oral communication with the electronic device.

- 24. The method of claim 21, further comprising positioning the sensor to sense the physical movement.
- 25. The method of claim 21, wherein sensing the physical movement includes sensing the electrical activity of the musculature effecting the physical movement.
- 5 26. The method of claim 21, wherein indicating to the electronic device includes generating an electrical signal.
  - 27. The method of claim 26, wherein indicating to the electronic device includes conditioning the electrical signal.